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PATENT

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Applicant has reviewed the Office Action mailed on June 2, 2008. Please amend the above-identified patent application as follows. This response is timely filed.

Amendment to the claims begin on page 2.

Remarks begin on page 5.